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CONDUCTING MULTIPLE TESTS

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In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant hereby notifies the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents which are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 and/or listed herein and which the Examiner may deem material to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application.

1. U.S. Patent No. 5,450,394 issued September 12, 1995.
2. U.S. Patent No. 5,440,565 issued August 8, 1995.

One copy of each of the listed documents are submitted herewith, along with a copy of the corresponding Foreign Search Report citing such documents and indicating the degree of relevance found by the foreign office.

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